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Animal Fact Sheet

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Fang blenny

Meiacanthus grammistes

The fang blenny is a small, vibrantly colored marine fish known for its elongated body and striking horizontal stripes. Native to the coral reefs of the Indo-Pacific region, this fish is renowned for…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Blenniidae
Habitat: Coral reefs
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-4 years
Weight: 2-6 grams
Scientific name: Meiacanthus grammistes

Did you know?

- Fang blenny venom is being studied for its potential use in developing new painkillers for humans.
- Fang blennies have evolved venom not to kill predators but to discourage them through pain and confusion. Their venom contains opioid-like proteins, …

What I learned

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